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SUBJECT: ASECNA VISIT TO US

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1. SUMMARY: EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED LETTER FROM ASECNA DIRECTOR GENERAL MALEKOU EXPRESSING THANKS FOR RECEPTION ACCORDED BY FAA, SUPPORT FOR USG POSITION AT ITU RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE, AND MAKING ANOTHER APPEAL FOR USG ASSISTANCE. EMBASSY ALSO WISHES TO EXPRESS THANKS FOR RECEPTION ACCORDED TO TWO ASECNA REPS AND ENDORSES COMMENTS OF USDEL TO ICAO REF (B). END SUMMARY.

2. ASECNA DIRECTOR GENERAL PAUL MALEKOU SENT LETTER DATED MAY 14 TO AMBASSADOR CONCERNING ASECNA TRIP TO US. TEXT OF LETTER GIVEN PARA 3 BELOW.

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3. (SALUTATION) QUOTE. AN ASECNA DELEGATION COMPOSED OF MR. MANDENGUE, DIRECTOR OF METEOROLOGY, AND MR. KONATE, ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS, MADE A TECHNICAL VISIT TO THE US BETWEEN APRIL 20 AND 30, 1977 AND (THEY) HAVE TOLD ME OF THE FRIENDLY WELCOME THEY RECEIVED ON THE PART OF THE FAA AND THE REPRESENTATIVES OF ELECTRONICS MANUFACTURERS AS

WELL AS THE POSITIVE RESULTS OF THIS VOYAGE TO THE US.

THUS, I HAVE THE HONOR TO RENEW WITH THIS LETTER MY SINCERE THANKS TO THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT WHICH MADE POSSIBLE THE SUCCESS OF THIS MISSION TO YOUR COUNTRY WHERE MY COLLEAGUES WERE ABLE TO HOLD NUMEROUS FRUITFUL TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS WITH THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, THE NATIONAL OCEANOGRAPHIC AND AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION, EX-IM BANK, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF ELECTRONICS FIRMS.

THIS TRIP WILL SURELY CONTRIBUTE TO THE STRENGTHENING OF COOPERATIVE TIES RECENTLY ESTABLISHED BETWEEN YOUR GOVERNMENT AND ASECNA (AGENCY FOR AERIAL NAVIGATION SECURITY IN AFRICA AND MADAGASCAR).

FURTHERMORE, IT IS APPROPRIATE FOR ME TO CONFIRM THAT MY AGENCY WILL INTERVENE AT AN APPORTUNE TIME WITH MEMBER COUNTRIES (PRESUMABLY MEMBERS OF ICAO) TO SUPPORT THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES REGARDING:

1. HOLDING IN 1978--THE DATE INITIALLY ESTABLISHED--WORLD ADMINISTRATIVE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE FOR MOBILE AERONAUTICAL SERVICE OF THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNION (ITU-WARC).

2. TIMELY NORMALIZATION OF A MICROWAVE LANDING SYSTEM; IN ADDITION, I WOULD LIKE TO DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE INEXISTENCE UP UNTIL NOW OF A MINIMUM PROGRAM OF ASSISTANCE FOR AERIAL NAVIGATION BETWEEN THE US AND THE MEMBERS OF ASECNA
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SIMILAR TO THE VOLUNTARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OF THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL PROGRAM BY WHICH THE USA PROVIDES ASSISTANCE HIGHLY APPRECIATED BY THE BENEFICIARY COUNTRIES FOR THE ACQUISITION OF METEOROLOGICAL EQUIPMENT AND SCHOLARSHIPS.

I AM VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE EFFORTS WHICH YOU WILL NOT FAIL TO MAKE FOR AMERICAN ASSISTANCE FOR THE EARLY CREATION AND INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF ASECNA'S AERIAL NAVIGATION PROGRAM, AND ALSO FOR THE EFFORT OF YOUR GOVERNMENT TO SUPPORT AND REINFORCE THE VOLUNTARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. END QUOTE.
(COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE). LETTER IS SIGNED BY PAUL MALEKOU.

4. EMBASSY WOULD LIKE TO ADD ITS THANKS TO FAA, EX-IM AND COMMERCE/NOAA FOR RECEPTION GIVEN TO KONATE AND MANDENGUE AND CONCUR IN SENTIMENTS EXPRESSED PARA 4 REF (B) ON DESIRABILITY OF CONTINUED CLOSE COOPERATION WITH ASECNA.

5. ASECNA OFFICIALS, DRAWING UPON THEIR LONG EXPERIENCE WITH FRENCH ARE CLEARLY HOPING FOR SOME FORM OF ASSISTANCE FROM

USG, HOWEVER MODEST, ALTHOUGH THEY HAVE BEEN TOLD IN PAST THAT THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE. UNLIKE WMO CITED IN MELEKOU LETTER ABOVE, ASECNA IS NOT PART OF UNITED NATIONS AND IS SUPPOSED TO BE SELF SUSTAINING ORGANIZATION; ITS AIRPORT AND FLIGHT SERVICE CHARGES ARE RELATIVELY HIGH. FURTHER AS ASECNA OFFICIALS CONCEDE, IF MEMBER NATIONS PAID THEIR BILLS ASECNA WOULD BE ABLE TO FUND ALL OF ITS TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT NEEDS.

6. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF US EFFORTS TO STRENGTHEN COOPERATION WITH ASECNA AND BENEFICIAL EFFECT WHICH US REP ICAO INDICATES THIS IS HAVING ON ICAO ISSUES, EMBASSY SEEKS DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE IN DRAFTING DEFINITIVE RESPONSE TO ASECNA ON QUESTION OF ASSISTANCE, KEEPING IN MIND THAT EVEN MODEST PROGRAMS (SUCH AS RECENT FAA AIRPORT SECURITY TRAINING RECEIVED BY FOUR SENEGALESE) CAN HAVE VERY POSITIVE LOCAL IMPACT. HOWEVER, IF REGIONAL ASSISTANCE IN ANY FORM IS NOT UNCLASSIFIED

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POSSIBLE, WE WOULD LIKE TO STATE THIS IN WRITING TO ASECNA OFFICIALS, NOTING LEGAL OR OTHER REASONS WHICH PRECLUDE IT AND ALSO OUTLINING RELATIONSHIP WHICH FAA/DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO HAVE WITH AGENCY.

7. EMBASSY ALSO RECALLS RECEIPT OF APRIL 6 ASECNA LETTER REQUESTING AMENDMENT TO ITS AGREEMENT WITH US GOVERNING FLIGHT SERVICE PAYMENTS. DAKAR 2578 PASSED REQUEST TO WASHINGTON. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY GUIDANCE.
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